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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 5TH, 1909.

The telegraphic accounts describing the appalling calamity which has overtaken Southern Italy and Sicily go to show that, so far at least as the destruction of human life is concerned, it is probably the worst disaster of the kind in history. Certainly the records of earthquake disasters since the Christian era began record none which equal the present disaster in this respect, if we must accept the estimates that the telegrams have contained. The great earthquake of Yedo (Tokyo) in 1803, involving a loss of life estimated at 200,000 has hitherto figured in the records as the earthquake which involved the greatest loss of human life, and Peking has taken second place with 100,000 people "swallowed up" in 1781. We can take comfort in the fact that earthquakes attended with disastrous consequences are happily rare in China, which is regarded as outside the "earthquake zone." But the past century has furnished history with at least two bad earthquakes in China—that in Canton and neighbourhood in 1830, when 6,000 persons were estimated to have perished, and that which occurred in Yunna in 1888 when upwards of 3,000 persons were killed. Within the same period there have been two destructive earthquakes in Manila, one in 1863 causing immense destruction of property and a loss of a thousand lives, and one in 1880 which, happily, was not so disastrous in its effects.

The Netherlands Indies have had their share of these terrible visitations, but in the Far East the greatest sufferer has been Japan, where "the oldest resident" could compile a list of such disasters as have occurred in his own lifetime which would appear sufficiently formidable. The experiences of Italy, however, have in the aggregate been far worse. Calabria and Sicily, the scene of the present devastation, have suffered often, but apparently never so severely as on the present occasion. It is perhaps too early yet to form a very trustworthy estimate of the loss of life. We are inclined to think that a telegraphic error was made in the message reporting 800,000 persons to have perished by the disappearance of the island of Lipari. The island is only eighteen miles in circumference and the capital town has a population of not more than 12,000. We have no recent statistics for the whole of the island, but we are inclined to think that 80,000 would more nearly represent the population. The whole of the Lipari group of islands is included in the province of Messina which at the last census had a population of 548,898. The inhabitants of the town of Messina itself, which is reported to have been practically destroyed by the earthquake, numbered about 150,000, and the town of Reggio Calabria, which suffered to a like extent, had a population of 45,000. Not all these have perished, however, for the telegrams make it clear that there are thousands in these towns who are homeless and in a state of starvation. But the devastation is not confined to the large towns. An extensive area has been affected, and it will probably be some days yet before the authorities are able to form a very accurate estimate of the loss of life involved. The most conservative estimates, however, are sufficiently appalling to draw the whole world's sympathy to Italy in this great misfortune. In Great Britain, in France, in the United States, in Canada and in the Argentine Republic and we doubt not in other countries not mentioned in the telegrams, sympathy is being nobly expressed in the contributions which are being made for the relief of sufferers.

Taotai Lew Yuk Sin, who is well-known in Hongkong and Canton, has arrived at Shanghai to participate in the Opium Conference.

Another case of armed robbery in the city has been reported. On this occasion the victim was an old woman who was robbed of a small sum of money and some jewellery.

Captain Mitchell Taylor, A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor, returned to Hongkong on the Mongolia on Saturday from Japan. He looks greatly improved.

"Thanksgiving and humiliation" was the subject of discussion at the first meeting in connection with the universal week of prayer opened yesterday. The Rev. C. H. Hickling led the discussion.

Petty thieving and snatching from the person have been very rife of late. On Sunday no fewer than three cases of snatching were reported at the Central Police Station between 9 and 12 o'clock.

A rhinoceros horn, valued at \$50, was stolen from a shop in Bonham Strand on Sunday. Three men entered the shop and while two engaged the attention of the shopkeeper the third got away with the horn.

British capital, a St. Petersburg dispatch says, continues to pour into Siberia in a remarkable way. The latest announcement is that the famous goldfields on the Altai have been sold to a British syndicate, which has also acquired goldfields on the River Lena and mining concessions in Saghalien.

An ingenious theft was perpetrated on the steamer Kinsan on the journey from Canton on Sunday. A passenger who carried \$700 inside his pillow box found that the money had been abstracted and replaced by a brick. Suspicion, however, fell on another passenger who was arrested and brought before the Magistrate.

Fire broke out in a godown in Sutherland Street near the Ke Shing theatre on Saturday night, but the brigade was promptly in attendance. More damage was done by water than by fire. Yesterday morning another outbreak was discovered in a medicine shop in Des Vœux Road, but it was extinguished before much damage was done.

We have received the report of the Hongkong Chess Club for the past year, which gives the results of the matches played and sets forth the programme for the ensuing season. The Club shows considerable vitality and financially also is in a flourishing condition, there being a balance of \$204 in hand. We hope to find room for the full report in our next issue.

A correspondent writes regretting that the announcements with regard to the illustrated lecture by Mr. Heinrich Heiland at the German Club did not state that the lecture would be in English. Many English residents interested in the subject matter of the lecture, we are informed, would have attended, had they known that the lecture would be in English. Perhaps the Hongkong Old Volume Society, could induce Mr. Heiland to repeat the lecture, if his arrangements will permit.

Inspector McHardy and P.S. Parr leave for home on holiday on Saturday. Several changes and transfers in the police are pending.

A Chinese was brought before the Magistrate yesterday on a charge of stealing eleven pawn-tickets from the dead body of an unknown Chinese woman.

The return showing the number of communicable diseases reported during the week ended 2nd January contained three cases, one each of plague, cholera, and enteric fever.

The Ministry of Finance has denounced to the Throne a second class secretary of the Department, Kuei Yin, for asking for extended leave of absence on flimsy pretexts, as it has been discovered that the accused official is using his leave to continue his opium smoking habit. As a punishment for this, Kuei Yin has been ordered to resign.

Grand Secretary Chang Chih-tung, who is also Comptroller-General of the Affairs of the Ministry of Education, has issued a circular to the Viceroy and Governors of provinces to dismiss summarily any foreign teacher in the Government schools who may in any way misbehave himself, or act unreasonably towards the scholars.

His Highness Prince Ching has been appointed by the Prince Regent to superintend the construction and repair work of the Ta Ching-yi Mausoleum; where the remains of the Emperor Kuang Hui are to rest. The Mausoleum in question has been in process of construction for many years in preparation for the Imperial occupant.

A fatal affray between two coolies of the Commissariat Department took place yesterday morning. The men had quarrelled and one lifting a basin hit the other with it on the forehead. A jagged part entered the temple and penetrated a blood vessel. The injured man was taken to No. 2 Police Station and afterwards sent to hospital. He had lost a great deal of blood, and, shortly after admission, it was found necessary to take his dying depositions.

A tiffin was given to Professor Ernest Dewitte Barton, of the University of Chicago, by Dr. Amos P. Wilder, American Consul-General, at the Hongkong Hotel yesterday. The guests, men present were—Hon. Mr. F. H. May, The Bishop of Victoria, Messrs. Pollock, Atkinson, Harris, Turner, Slade, Byer, Holyoak, McPherson, Elliott, J. R. Wood, Hickling, Conneland, Piercy, Reed, and F. D. Cheshire, American Consul-General at large.

The mail brings us the news of the death of two old residents, says the Shanghai Mercury. Mr. Wm. Morrison Harvie and Mr. Charles Lyall Grant. Mr. Grant many will remember as a partner in the firm of Messrs. Adamson, Bell & Co. from the sixties to 1890 when the firm closed its doors. He was well known in other parts in China where he has still many old friends who will regret to hear of his demise. Mr. Wm. Morrison Harvie was well known in the nineties as an importing and commission agent here and in Hongkong.

In connection with the campaign against promiscuous spitting, it is interesting to note that H. E. the Governor has forwarded a minute to the Sanitary Board on the subject. Promiscuous spitting is blamed by American authorities for having been responsible for the deaths of 77 people in New York who succumbed to consumption. It is stated that the tuberculosis germs, spread by promiscuous spitting, attacked them when their systems were receptive. The New York Life Insurance Company point out that the peril is widespread because the evil of careless spitting is widespread. Until public sentiment condemns spitting as an utterly vile and loathsome habit, the heavy percentage of deaths from consumption must continue.

A Soochow letter to the N.C. Daily News states that there was quite a scare in that city on the 26th ult. owing to a report that had got abroad that anti-monarchist emissaries were conspiring with the troops stationed at the Changmen gate to start a rebellion. To guard against any possible outbreak the authorities in Soochow at once took possession of all the firearms in the barracks (cavalry and infantry) in question, and introduced within the city walls by the water gate some forty inland naval gunboats, each armed with a breech loading field piece and a machine gun. Detachments of the crews of the gunboats were then stationed at each of the six city-gates and every preparation made to quell a rising. Nothing, however, has occurred and it is thought that the reports were set afloat by evil characters to test the preparedness, or otherwise, of the authorities.

On the 4th ult., at a meeting in Berlin of the Executive Committee of the German Colonial Society, under the presidency of Duke John Albert of Mecklenburg, Admiral von Tirpitz, Minister of Marine, announced that the Government intended to establish at Kian-shu a high school for Chinese, at a cost of 600,000 marks (£30,000) with a recurrent expenditure of 150,000 marks (£7,500) per annum. The Minister stated that the view prevailed in China that a thorough reform of the school system was a necessary preliminary to the modernisation of the State's methods of government. The Chinese Government had shown its sympathy with the project by expressing its readiness to support the new school both by a subsidy and by the provision of suitable scholars, and also by admitting scholars from the German school to State examinations and to posts under the Chinese Government. The German Government, Admiral von Tirpitz added, desired to create a commercial high school as a basis for technical and medical schools and for institutes for political economy, forestry, and agriculture, to be founded later.

TELEGRAMS.

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THE GREAT CALAMITY IN ITALY.

SYMPATHY FROM JAPAN.

TOKYO, January 4th.

An earthquake fund to assist the sufferers in Italy, is being raised in Japan on the initiative of the newspapers.

Their Majesties the Emperor and Empress have wired condolences, and have also forwarded a contribution of Yen 10,000.

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[REUTER'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

RELIEF MEASURES IN EUROPE.

LONDON, January 3rd.

The fund opened by the Lord Mayor of London in aid of the relief of the great calamity which has overtaken Southern Italy and Sicily now amounts to £24,000.

President Roosevelt recommends Congress to appropriate half a million dollars towards the relief of the sufferers. This is the largest appropriation ever made by the United States towards a similar object.

The Pope has appealed to the Roman Catholic Bishops throughout the world to collect subscriptions.

THE WORK OF RESCUE.

LONDON, January 4th.

Few persons are now being recovered alive from the ruins in the devastated districts.

When it is deemed certain that no more are likely to be found alive, the ruins will be smothered with quicklime, &c.

It is estimated that it will then be necessary to leave the places undisturbed for six months.

Two storeships with supplies for the American Fleet, now at Suez, have been diverted to Sicily.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS.

LONDON, January 3rd.

Rear-Admiral The Hon. S. C. J. Colville, C.V.O., C.B., has been appointed to the command of the First Cruiser Squadron.

Rear-Admiral F. T. Hamilton, M.V.O., who has recently been filling the position of Inspector of Target Practice has been given the command of the Second Squadron.

Rear-Admiral A. M. Farquhar, C.V.O., takes command of the Fourth Squadron.

SERVIA AND AUSTRIA.

SERVIA DEMANDS INDEPENDENCE FOR BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA.

LONDON, January 4th.

The Serbian Foreign Minister speaking in the Skupstina (National Diet) declared the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by Austria-Hungary to be a violation of the Berlin Treaty.

Bosnia and Herzegovina, he said, must become independent under European control, but he did not desire war.

The speech is regarded in Vienna as aggravating the situation.

The second performance of *The Geisha* by the Portuguese Lilliputians at the Club Lusitano last night proved another success. Throughout the play went with a pleasing swing, and the sustained applause of the large attendance was well merited by the small thespians.

At the City Hall last night another successful concert was given by the band of S.M.S. *Fuerst Bismarck*, assisted by Mr. E. Danenberg. The attendance was not as large as the excellent programme merited, but the appreciation of those present was manifested by continued applause.

SUPREME COURT.

Monday, January 4th.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR FRANCIS FIGGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

ALLEGED LARCENY AND RECEIVING.
Li Tsau and Kwun Hing were indicted on charges of larceny and receiving. Prisoners pleaded not guilty, and the following jurors were empanelled:—H. Gittins (foreman), A. Morley, J. Dickie, G. Rapp, H. E. Craddock, E. A. Kennedy and H. J. van der Bosch.

The Hon. Mr. W. Rees Davies, K.O., Attorney-General, who was instructed by Mr. Dennis, Jr., from the office of the Crown Solicitor, informed his Lordship and the gentlemen of the jury that the prisoners in this case were charged with stealing a large amount of clothing, and with being in possession of stolen property, well knowing the same to have been stolen. The owner of the property was the master of a blacksmith shop in Wing Lok Street. He would tell the Court that when he arose on the morning of the 7th ultimo he missed four boxes made of pigskin which contained a large amount of clothing. Information was immediately given to the police, and on the night of the 17th ultimo a Chinese constable saw the first defendant talking to the second. He also observed that he had something wrapped up in a handkerchief, and on questioning the first defendant, learned that it was clothing. The second defendant told the constable he was going to buy the clothing from the first. The constable also noticed that the first man had some pawn tickets, and he saw the second defendant snatch them from the first and tear them up. The policeman then arrested both defendants and regained the torn pieces of the pawn tickets. Pawnshops were then visited, and several of the stolen goods found and identified by the prosecutor as his property. Subsequently the police obtained a search warrant and proceeded to search the premises where the two defendants were alleged to live. There they found the stolen bags with a number of other articles, and in addition some ropes, pepper, daggers and so forth.

The jury, without retiring, returned a verdict of guilty against both prisoners on the second count, and his Lordship sentenced each man to three years' imprisonment with hard labour.

ALLEGED ROBBERY.

Chan To, Teo Yan and Li Kai were arraigned on a charge of robbery. Prisoners denied the charge, and the following jury was empanelled:—H. T. Richardson (foreman), S. G. Fenton, S. Swart, R. Abraham, E. Raymond, G. K. Haxton and R. Aitken.

The Attorney-General informed the jurors that the three prisoners were placed before the Court on a charge of robbery with violence. The affair took place at 37, Kowloon City Road, at about 7.15 on the morning of November 21st. The inhabitants of the house at the time the robbery took place were four women. The owner, a man, had gone out to work at seven o'clock. A woman named So Mui would tell the main facts connected with the robbery. She would say that on the morning in question three men walked up stairs to the second floor, and one of them called out "Here is a basket for you." She was sitting on her bed when two of the men entered her room, the other going into the cubicle of another woman. So Mui asked him where he was going, but at that moment she was seized by the other two men who pulled two bangles off her right wrist. The neighbours hearing a noise, gave the alarm, and the robbers made off. Witnesses would say that all the men were armed with knives, and one of the women was slightly wounded in the breast. As far as the Attorney-General understood, the statements made by the prisoners to the police implied that they were at the premises about the time of the robbery, so it appeared to be purely a question of whether the jurors were satisfied with the identification of the men.

When the case for the Crown was nearing completion, and the accused were asked if they wished to question a police witness, the second defendant said—In reality I did commit this crime, but I did not carry a knife. The third prisoner was then asked if he wished to question the witness and replied—I also wish to confess, but deny entirely about the knife.

The accused were then asked if they wished to make statements.

The first defendant said he had nothing further to say.

The second said he did not make the gag. It was made by the first prisoner.

The third man said they went to the house with the intention of robbing the inmates, thinking they would be asleep. But when they entered the house, they found them awake, and that was the reason the inmates gave the alarm.

His Lordship remarked that in view of the interesting statements made he did not think it necessary to trouble the jurors with any reference to the evidence.

The jury, without retiring, brought in a verdict of guilty against the three accused, and his Lordship sentenced the first and second to five years' hard labour, and the third defendant to seven years' hard labour.

IN MEMORY OF QUEEN VICTORIA.

A movement has been inaugurated at Nice, says the Central News, for the erection of a statue of Queen Victoria. The suggestion is the result of a competition, in which a large number of ideas was brought forward, the statue project heading the poll by a great majority. The Prefect of the Alpes Maritimes and the local authorities are much in favour of the scheme, not only as a mark of esteem towards the British colony, but in grateful recognition of the benefits conferred upon the town of Nice by her Majesty's repeated and lengthy sojourns at the place. The British and American colonies have perpetuated Queen Victoria's memory by building a well-equipped and substantially-endowed hospital at Mont Byron, of which the King and Queen are patrons. A French memorial, in addition, will be erected.

MARINE MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Monday, January 4th.

BEFORE HON. COMMANDER BASIL R. H. TAYLOR, R.N. (MARINE MAGISTRATE).

WITHOUT REGULATION LIGHTS.

Constable Thompson proceeded against the master of a licensed fishing junk for failing to carry the regulation lights for a junk under way in the harbour between sunset and sunrise. Defendant had nothing to say, so his Worship imposed a fine of \$5, in default, 14 days' hard labour.

Two other junk men appeared before his Worship on a similar charge.

One defendant told the Court he did not know his light had to be visible. The second man had forgotten to replenish his with oil. A fine of \$5 was imposed on each defendant.

UNLAWFULLY BLOWING A WHISTLE.
The master of the steam launch *Euro* was prosecuted by Lance-Sergeant Sutton for blowing the whistle of his launch other than for the purpose of navigation.

Sergeant Sutton deposed to seeing the *Euro* towing some lighters off to the S.S. *Hupek* on the afternoon of the 29th ultimo. When the *Euro* was about twenty yards from the *Hupek* she blew two blasts on her whistle three times. The lighters were towing astern. After they were made fast to the *Hupek* witness asked defendant why he blew his whistle and he replied it was a signal to someone on the *Hupek* to make the lighters fast.

Defendant said he whistled the first time to indicate that he was going to port, the second time to indicate that he was going to starboard, and the third time to draw the attention of the people on board the steamer.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$30, the alternative being six weeks' imprisonment. He also ordered the suspension of defendant's certificate until he had passed a satisfactory examination.

FIRE AT KOWLOON.

No little excitement prevailed in Kowloon yesterday afternoon when the report of an explosion was heard from the vicinity of the railway mat-sheds near Hungnam village. Then it was discovered that fire had broken out in one of the matsheds and ignited the stored gunpowder. The fire engine from the electric power station and the European and Indian soldiers promptly turned out, but six or seven matsheds were destroyed before the flames were subdued. Two of the matsheds contained cement.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

The League fixtures set down for Saturday next are:

H.K.C.C. "B"	v. Craigengower.
R.G.A.	v. Kowloon.
Civil Service	v. R.E.

CHINESE IMPERIAL EDICTS.

On December 31st the Court at Peking issued a number of edicts affecting the position of certain officials. The *Chung Ngai San Po* (Chinese Daily Press) yesterday received a wire from Peking giving the text of these edicts.

DISMISSAL OF YUAN SHIH KAI.
The first decree issued stated that Yuan Shih Kai had held the important posts of Grand Secretary and President of the Board of Foreign Affairs under the late Emperor. An officer of such great ability and holding posts of such responsibility should render assistance to the Throne, but on account of age feet Yuan moved with great difficulty. Being thus unable to take charge of affairs he would be relieved of his office at once, and would return to his native village and endeavour to cure himself.

This edict was written and despatched by the Regent, and Yuan Shih Kai was not given an opportunity of resigning.

A later edict has been issued appointing Liang Tung Yen Acting President of the Board of Foreign Affairs.

NA TUNG.
Another edict issued appoints Na Tung Assistant Grand Secretary, to be a member of the Grand Council.

POSTHUMOUS HONOURS.
A third edict issued enlarged the good work done by the deceased statesman, Wang Wen Shao, and promised the appointment of his son and grandson to important official positions. His son, who is now secretary to the Board of Works and Agriculture, is to be made a first class, and a more important appointment than he now holds is to be made for the grandson, who is now expectant tatal of Kiangsu Province.

MRS. MAYBRICK WINS £500,000 ESTATE.

SEQUEL TO TWENTY YEARS OF LITIGATION.

Mrs. Florence Maybrick and her mother, Baroness von Roque, have won their suit at Richmond, Virginia, to recover 2,500,000 acres of land in Virginia worth £500,000.

This land was inherited from Baroness von Roque's first husband.

It is alleged that after Mrs. Maybrick's arrest on the charge of poisoning her husband, Mr. David Armstrong, her American lawyer, dealt improperly with the estate.

Mrs. Maybrick claimed that she signed a document under the impression that it disposed of only a part of the estate, whereas the lawyer claimed that all the property had been sold to him for £2,000.

The decision of the court at Richmond, Virginia, also instructs Mr. Armstrong to render an account of the administration of the estate to Mrs. Maybrick and her mother.

The case has been pending for twenty years. It is expected that an appeal will be lodged, and the case carried to the Federal Supreme Court.

Mrs. Maybrick, who was found guilty of the murder of her husband, Mr. James Maybrick, a Liverpool business man, at Liverpool, seized in August 1889, was released from Aylesbury Prison in July 1904 after having been imprisoned fifteen years.

She has lived in America since her release.

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1909. [141]



COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that information has been received from the NAVY AUTHORITIES to the effect that His Majesty's Surveying Ships "MELBY" and "WATERWICH" are at present at East Dock Buoy and "5A" Buoy respectively are engaged in taking observations of Tidal Stream off the entrance to the New Admiralty Dry Dock.

Masters of Craft and Coxswains of Launches should keep clear of these vessels and proceed at slow speed when passing, as the wash set up by them is liable to interfere with correct observations.

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st December, 1908. [143]



HARBOUR MASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that information has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out as under—

From 4th to 23rd January, 1909.

From Customs Pass and Chin Lan Chu over the area Kauling Peak, Tates Cairn, Buffalo Hill, Razor Hill and High Junk Peak, at ranges up to 16,000 yards, commencing at 10 a.m. daily, and finishing at 4 p.m.

If the weather is unfavourable on any of the above dates, practice will take place on the following day.

All ships, junks and other vessels are to keep clear of the ranges.

BASIL TAYLOR, Commander, R.N.,
Harbour Master, &c.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1909. [144]

S.S. "SYDNEY,"
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex "F. Morel" in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their goods with exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 3 p.m. To-day requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remained undamaged until Monday the 11th Jan., at NOON; will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 11th Jan., or they will not be recognized. All damaged packages will be examined on Monday, the 11th Jan., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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Agent.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1909. [2]

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS & CHINA OVERLAND TRADER REPORT

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Leading Articles.

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The Deportation Question.

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Hongkong News.

Sanitary Board.

Government House.

Lady Lugard Indisposed.

Beilby Public School.

St. Paul's College Prize Presentation.

The Police Dance.

Kowloon Dock Dance.

Christmas Robberies.

Christmas in Hongkong.

The Christmas Mail.

The New Year.

Farwell Luncheon to the American Judge.

Correspondence.

A Shanghai Wedding.

The Seizure of the s.s. "Tai On."

The Boycott of the s.s. "Fatahan."

The Japanese Minister to England.

Compulsory Education for China.

Canton and the Opium Question.

Arrival of the "Hirano Maru."

Company Meetings.

South China Morning Post Ltd.

The Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited.

Canton News.

Armed Robbery in the City.

Manila and the Cattle Trade.

Local and District Events, 1908.

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IM hiesigen Handelsregister ist zur Firma LAUTS & HAESLOOP eingetragen worden: Der Gesellschafter JOHANN THEODOR LAUTS in Bremen ist am 31. Dezember 1908 aus der Gesellschaft ausgeschieden. Die frühere Zweigniederlassung LAUTS, WEGENER & Co. in Hongkong ist aufgehoben.

KAISERLICH DEUTSCHES KONSULAT.
Swatow, den 2. Januar 1909. [142]

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1909. [4]

INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

WE the Undersigned hereby beg to inform the Public that before any Agreement, Contract, Delivery Order, Receipt or other Important Document in connection with our Business can be valid it must be signed by Mr. Ho JUP and chopped with the chop of our Firm.

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Hongkong, 30th December, 1908. [1708]

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [126]

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NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

MR. ERNST ARNDT, having retired from our Employment, CEASES to Sign our Firm for Procurement from this Date. ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co. Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [128]

NOTICE.

I have This Day established myself under the name of ARNDT & Co., with Offices at 38, Queen's Road Central and will carry on Business as General Importer. ERNST ARNDT. Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [129]

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. JOHANN THEODOR LAUTS in our Firm CEASES To-day. LAUTS & HAESLOOP. Swatow, 31st December, 1908. [130]

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. ADOLF CARL SCHOMBURG and Mr. WILHELM WIEDERHOLD in our Firm CEASED on the 31st December, 1908. Mr. CARL ROBERT LENZMANN has been admitted a partner in our Firm from This Date. CARLOWITZ & Co. China, Japan, Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. Hamburg, New York. [131]

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility in our Firm of our late Mr. CARL GEORGE RICHARD BRODERSEN CEASED upon his death, which took place at Shanghai on the 2nd October last. Mr. HANS AUGUST SIEBS and Mr. EUGEN SIEBERT have This Day been Admitted as Partners in our Firm. SIEMSEN & Co. Shanghai, Hongkong & China, 1st January, 1909. [132]

NOTICE.

MR. PERCY TESTER has been appointed LOCAL MANAGER of the above Company's HONGKONG BRANCH from This Date. W. H. TRENCHARD DAVIS, Manager for China. Shanghai, 1st January, 1909. [133]

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [98]

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Hongkong, 10th June, 1908. [105]

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Hongkong, 6th November, 1908. [110]

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Hongkong, 19th October, 1908. [109]

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Hongkong, 30th December, 1908. [5]

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Hongkong, 30th December, 1908. [1712]

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PROPOSALS TO IMPROVE LABOUR
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Mr. Roosevelt's Message, the last of his Presidential career extending over seven and a half years, was a lengthy document, the chief points being as follows:—

1.—National power required to control combinations and deal with inter-state commerce.

2.—Prohibition of child labour, diminution of women labour, shortened hours of all mechanical labour, employers' liability laws.

3.—Progressive inheritance tax on large fortunes.

4.—Necessity of preserving the national forests, Obsolete lands in the dole of Northern China, Central Asia, and Northern Africa.

5.—President mentions that he has set aside tracts of land to serve as sanctuaries and nurseries for wild creatures.

6.—Recommends postal savings banks with Government security.

7.—Plan for organising great body of volunteers.

8.—Completion, as soon as possible, of four new battleships.

The message comprises thirty-four subjects ranging from finance, corporations, and labour to secret service, education in Alaska, and forestation evils in China, the latter of which are released at great length in the section recommending immediate forestation in the United States. The President earnestly recommends reforms, principally connected with the anti-trust and labour laws.

Out of 32,000 words composing the document, three subjects are prominent and occupy two-thirds of the whole. Over 9,000 words are devoted to labour problems; 3,500 to corporations, and 2,500 to forest preservation. Foreign affairs are dismissed in sixty words, which declare that "We have behaved, and are behaving, towards other nations as in private life an honourable man would behave towards his fellows." There is no reference to the recent agreement with Japan.

The message begins with an optimistic note on the excellent financial standing of the country, but the President hopes that "the Currency Commission will be able to propose a thoroughly good system which will do away with the existing defects." During the seven years of the President's office there has been a net surplus of \$22,000,000 of receipts over expenditure, a reduction of the interest-bearing debt by \$18,000,000, in spite of the extraordinary expense of the Panama Canal, and a saving elsewhere of nearly \$2,000,000. There have been no new taxes and no increase of taxes, but in some cases a reduction.

Regarding corporations, the President advocates that instead of attempting to prohibit all combinations the Sherman anti-trust law should be replaced by a law which will expressly permit combinations which are in the interests of the public. He would like to see, however, the control of all such combinations placed under the Government. The railways, telegraphs and telephones engaged in inter-state business have advocates being put under the Inter-State Commerce Commission, and removed from the domain of the anti-trust law.

LAWLESS CAPITALISTS.
The President expressly urges that the people, through their representatives, should act in this matter and not permit "every lawless capitalist," every law-defying corporation to take any action, no matter how iniquitous, in the effort to secure improper profit and to build up "predatory wealth," and emphasises the necessity for control by a central Government.

The corporation section finishes with one of the most important paragraphs in the message. The President says: "The danger to American democracy lies not in the least in the concentration of administrative power in responsible and accountable hands. It lies in leaving the power insufficiently concentrated, so that no one can be held responsible to the people for its use. Concentrated power is palpable, visible, responsible, easily reached, quickly held to account. Power scattered through many administrators is palpable, unseen, irresponsible, cannot be reached, cannot be held to account. Democracy is in peril wherever the administration of political power is scattered among a variety of men, who work in secret, whose names are unknown to the common people."

The President goes very deeply into Labour matters, both as regards the employers' duty towards Labour and the latter's duty to employers. "As far as possible I hope to see a frank recognition of the advantages conferred by machinery, organisation, and division of labour, accompanied by an effort to bring about a larger share in the ownership by wage-earners of railways, mills, and factories. In farming this simply means that we wish to see the farmer own his own land. We do not wish to see the farms so large that they become the property of absentee landlords, nor yet so small that the farmer becomes like a European peasant."

He speaks of the great savings made by the people, who themselves become capitalists through the savings banks, and says, "The depositors in our savings banks now number over one-tenth of our population." "Corporate finances must be supervised, so as to make it fair to the man at present for the man of small means to invest his money in stocks. There must be prohibition of child labour, diminution of woman labour, shortening of hours of all mechanical labour; stock watering should be prohibited, and stock gambling, as far as possible, discouraged. There should be progressive inheritance tax on large fortunes."

The President thinks that one of the most important immediate necessities is that providing of old age pensions and the enactment of laws for the protection of wage workers who are killed, crippled or worn out under the present industrial system. The present system of providing for them is, says the President, of benefit to only one class of people—lawyers—and he condemns the delays and expenses of lawsuits which workmen are compelled to institute to gain compensation. He declares that "the generosity of the United States towards its employees compares most unfavourably with that of every country in Europe even the poorest."

This message earnestly urges upon Congress the duty of increasing the "totally inadequate salaries now given to our judges." He would like to see the salaries doubled, especially those of the Supreme Court judges.

LECTURES LABOUR UNIONS.
The President denounces the attack the leaders of organised labour made during the last election upon the entire judiciary of the country, and in some 3,000 words reads a lecture to labour unions on their attempt to legislate blacklisting and boycotting, and rejoices "that the labouring men of the country, by the way in which they repudiated the effort to get them to cast their votes in response to an appeal to class hatred, have emphasised their sound patriotism and Americanism."

After treating at length on afforestation, the message recommends active work to be begun on the inland waterways, "on which hundreds of millions have been spent, and yet on which the traffic is steadily declining." Recommendations follow for the establishment of postal savings banks, the extension of the parcels post, the immediate admission of New Mexico and Arizona as states, the extension of the Ocean Mail Act of 1891, assisting American mail lines to South America, Asia, the Philippines, and Australasia.

He asks that the territory of Hawaii be improved and developed, and emphasises the need of appropriations to continue the naval base at Pearl Harbour and make the islands practically impregnable.

He treats of the Philippines at some length, and says that the real progress towards self-government is being made there. The President believes that the Philippines will continue in the direction of self-government "until they become fit to decide for themselves whether they desire to be an independent nation." The message also recommends that American citizenship be conferred on the people of Porto Rico.

The House was crowded, and the message was listened to with unusual interest. Several Representatives have said that they consider the message the strongest and most conservative that the President has issued during his whole term of office. They believe that it will have a beneficial effect upon the stock market and business generally, owing to the President's "sane treatment" of the trust question.

The following passages are extracted from the President's message:—

The war we wage must be waged against misconduct, against wrongdoing where it is found, and we must stand hereby for the rights of every decent man, whether he be a man of great wealth or a man who earns his livelihood as a wage worker or a tiller of the soil.

In point of danger to the nation there is nothing to choose between, on the one hand the corruptionist, the bribe-giver, the bribe-taker, the man who employs his great talent to swindle his fellow citizens on a large scale, and, on the other hand, the preacher of class hatred, the man who whether from ignorance or from wilfuling to sacrifice his country to his ambition, persuades well-meaning but wrong-headed men to try to destroy the instruments upon which our prosperity mainly rests.

The number of accidents which result in the death or crippling of wage-workers, in the United States, is simply appalling; in a very few years it runs up a total far in excess of the aggregate of the dead and wounded in any modern war.

Probably in no other respect is our legislation, both state and national, so far behind practically the entire civilized world as in the matter of liability and compensation for accidents in industry. It is humiliating that at European international congresses on accidents the United States should be singled out as the most belated among the nations in respect to employers' liability legislation.

I take this opportunity publicly to state my appreciation of the way in which Japan, in Australia, in New Zealand, and in all the States of South America the battle has been fought for the rights of the wage-worker against the power of the corporation and the trust.

The American Government cannot too strongly express its appreciation of the abundant and generous hospitality shown our ships in every port they visited.

THE PORT OF CALCUTTA.

The citizens of Calcutta have every reason to be satisfied with the steady progress that is being made in bringing the port and everything connected with it into line with modern requirements and the demands of commerce and trade. Every year sees an expansion in some direction to meet some pressing want. Now it is in the erection of new jetties north and south; again in the construction of new warehouses, and so on, progress and expansion in every direction to meet the increasing trade of the port. These reflections suggest themselves on perusal of the administrative report for the year 1908-09 just issued by the Commissioners of the Port of Calcutta. It has often been said that if the affairs of all our great public spending and administrative departments were as successfully administered as the Calcutta Port Trust, the occupation of the capricious or any other kind of critic would be gone. We are inclined to subscribe to this view.

From the report before us we gather that the income of the port has increased with the last year from Rs. 62,32,821 to Rs. 1,09,57,142, and for the present year it has been estimated at Rs. 1,20,14,000. But for the fact that the rates have been reduced in the four years 1902-3 to 1905-6 to the extent of 9 lakhs per annum, the income of the Trust would, in a period of 11 years, have more than doubled itself. The expenditure has kept pace with the income, showing varying surpluses; the leading idea of the Trust being to apply the increasing income to the best possible advantage in the interests of the public, and in this way to meet the annual expanding requirements of trade. It is pointed out that in the years the charges on goods and shipping have been reduced to an extent approximating the amount of the recurring surpluses; and it follows that the margin between expenditure and income is considerably reduced. Thus, the surplus on last year's working was only Rs. 1,75,037. This sum has been added to the Reserve Fund, raising it to Rs. 20,32,010, which is quite independent of the large sums accumulated on account of sinking funds and of the insurance of the Commissioners' buildings.

It is interesting to note that of the imports delivered from the jetties, 567,239 tons, or 72 per cent, were disposed of by carts, which shows the importance of the "sagarwalla," or bullock-cart, in the economy of the trade of the port. Much expansion has taken place in the provision of warehouse accommodation for handling the enormous sea trade of the port. As an instance of up-to-date ideas, the Commissioners maintain two motor vans for the conveyance of samples of tea to the Brokers' market. No fewer than 102 vessels brought petroleum to the port, aggregating 61,875,306 gallons, being an increase of 6,046,697 gallons over the figures for the preceding year. It is interesting to note that Burma oil headed the list, America coming next and Borneo third. Only one vessel brought Russian oil. It may not be generally known that the Port extends for a distance of 120 miles, i.e., from Cossimbore to the light vessels at the entrance of the river. The phenomenal development of the Indian coal industry has contributed largely to the up keep of the Kidderpore Docks, whence the coal exports during the past year exceeded 3 million tons. Then there is the new

Ferry service, inaugurated in 1907, which is filling a distinct want, and proposals for the extension of the service are now under consideration. Altogether, the Commissioners and the public have every reason to be satisfied with the administration of the Port of Calcutta.—*Calcutta Englishman.*

FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

Describing Myrtle Grove, the quaint Elizabethan structure at Youghal, where Raleigh resided after repelling Desmond's rebellion in 1579, (now the residence of Sir Henry and Lady Blake) a writer in the *Gentleman's Magazine* says everything is marvellous preservation, seemingly untouched by time since Raleigh's day. The old oak-panelled rooms and fine carved oak mantel piece in the drawing room are all remains of the Elizabethan age; and the picturesque parish church hard by, said to be the earlier one in present day use in Ireland, is likewise replete with interest. Here the reputed tomb of the famous Catherine Countess of Desmond, who died at the age of 140 years from the effects of a fall from a cherry tree which she had climbed in pursuit of her favourite fruit, is still shown.

Mr. Tom Johnson, the popular Mayor of Cleveland, makes the announcement that his seven years' fight for three cent fares on the street railways of the city has cost him his private fortune and that now he is practically a poor man. The Chicago correspondent of the *Chronicle* says that Mr. Johnson is giving up his magnificent home on Euclid-avenue, the finest thoroughfare in Cleveland, all his automobiles, and his horses and carriages. He declares that the fight has cost him \$1,000,000, and that he has entirely neglected his business over the matter.

Hitherto no giraffe has been known from the Western Sudan, but early in October, according to the *Record*, the menagerie of the Paris museum received a young male, some months old, obtained about 300 kilometres to the north-east of Timbuctoo. Dr. E. Troncutt in *La Nature* remarks that the Timbuctoo giraffe, as represented by this young male, although very close to the typical Nubian animal, presents in the shape of the head certain features recalling the Kordofan and perhaps the British Nigerian race.

To an older generation of playgoers the news of the death of Miss Lydia Thompson will mean another sapping of the link with the days of burlesque and the Baneroff management. Miss Thompson, who was in her 72nd year, and retained almost to the last that vivacity and charm of personality, which made her so genuine a public favourite, began her career at an early age as a ballet dancer, but speedily made a name for herself in burlesque.

An interesting parallel in the Peerage of Scotland to the Barony of Balfour, which has just been decided, is the Newburgh earldom, the holders of which have for more than a century been Italian nobles. In 1757 Cecilia, granddaughter of Charlotte Maria, Countess of Newburgh, became the wife of Bonedict, Prince Giustiniani, and in 1793 her son Vincent became *de jure* the sixth Earl, although he did not claim the title. Since that time the Scottish peerage, which was confirmed by the House of Lords to Vincent's daughter, has been distinctly foreign, and quite disconnected from England. On the death of the third Baron Gardner the claimant to the title was one Alan Kyle Gardner, the son of a Mohammedan princess, and the husband of an Indian wife.

His Majesty is not especially devoted to Shakespeare, nor heavy pieces of any sort, at least; so says the *Bytander*. "I am too tired at the end of the day," he said recently to an eminent actor "for a long and serious piece, however good it may be in its kind, or however well acted. I stand in need of recreation after my work. Hence you see me visit to those theatres where amusing comedies, or light musical pieces, are given."

The American multi-millionaire is indeed a man of surprises. It is not long since we read that Mr. Charles M. Schwab, the fabulously wealthy "Steel King," had made a wedding gift of four million dollars to his sister; now we learn that he has sold his horses, dismissed his magnificent New York palace, and gone into the country to refetch. Less than thirty years ago Mr. Schwab was serving behind the counter in a small grocery store at Braddock for a few dollars a week, as a preliminary to driving stakes for the Carnegie Company at a dollar a day. While he was still in the thirties he was credited with a salary of 800,000 dol. a year; and, at forty years earlier he had driven stakes was estimated at nearly 40,000,000 dol.

A postal novelty has been introduced in France. It is now possible to send from any important town in France to another what are called letter telegrams. The rate is a centime a word, or in other words ten words for a penny, with a minimum charge of five centimes (one halfpenny). These letter telegrams are received for transmission after 9 p.m. They are telegraphed in the usual way, and delivered early on the following morning by the postman. At present a letter from Paris to Marseilles takes an average twenty-four hours to reach its destination. The saving of time under the new system will be a great boon.

Queen Alexandra is generally considered the most versatile of all the Royal ladies of Europe. Indeed, her interests and activities, says M.A.P., are almost infinite, and she excels as a musician, a needlewoman, a "whip," a water-colour artist, a philanthropist, and, above all, as a mother and mistress of a Royal household. Of late years the Queen has shown a great interest in fencing. Her Majesty's agility with the foil being remarkable. The Queen, like the King, has a fine collection of walking-sticks, some of which are beautifully jewelled, while others have the handles handsomely carved with pretty designs. Her Majesty also has a large collection of the portraits of her friends and relatives, but probably her most curious hobby is the keeping of the different styles of hats and bonnets which she has worn for the last 20 years. Every hat or bonnet is carefully ticketed, and upon each ticket are the dates of the most important occasions on which that particular hat or bonnet was worn by its Royal owner.

Mr. J. W. Gulland, M.P. has taken the Lord Advocate to task about the name for the Scottish Education Department. The Lord Advocate claimed that he had Burns, Byron, and Scott on his side. Mr. Gulland cites good examples of Burns to the contrary. "In the epistle to William Miller he says:—

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